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1. RE PARA 2 REFTTEL. FOR THE IIB, UNITY OF INVENTION IS NOT INPORTANT. ALL FEES ARE CHARGED ACCORDING TO AMOUNT OF WORK AND TYPES OF SPECIALIZATION REQUIRED. THEY DO NOT CHARGE EXTRA FOR RUSH PROJECTS.

2. FEES ARE CHARGED ON BASIS OF ABOVE CRITERIA AND NO SET SCHEDULES OF FEES EXIST. REPRESENTATIVE CHARGES FOR WORK REQUIRING 3 TO 7 MAN-DAYS MAY BE AS FOLLOWS: RESEARCH IN CHEMICAL OR MECHANICAL FIELDS, 1500 TO 2000 GUILDERS; RESEARCH IN ELECTRICAL FIELD, 1900 TO 2400 GUILDERS; IF USE OF COMPUTER OR OTHER SPECIALIZED SERVICE REQUIRED, SOME 4000 GUILDERS. (DOLLAR EQUALS ABOUT 2.70 GUILDERS AT CURRENT EXCHANGE RATE). FEE FOR GIVEN JOB MAY BE DETERMINED IN THREE WAYS:

A. CLIENT REQUESTS QUOTATION,

B. CLIENT ASKS FOR RESEARCH TO BE PERFORMED WITHOUT REGARD TO PRICE,

C. CLIENT STATES MAXIMUM PRICE. IF ENTIRE RESEARCH CANNOT BE PERFORMED FOR MAXIMUM, INCOMPLETE RESULTS ARE SUBMITTED TO CLIENT.

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3. ABOVE MENTIONED FEES ARE CHARGED TO PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS AND

ORGANIZATIONS AND TO NON-MEMBER GOVERNMENTS. MEMBER GOVERNMENTS, WHO USUALLY ASK IIB TO PERFORM A "NOVELTY SEARCH", ARE CHARGED A SPECIAL FEE OF 1260 GUILDERS, FOR WHICH A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF WORK WILL BE DONE. IF REQUIRED WORK EXCEEDS THIS STANDARD, ADDITIONAL FEE WILL BE CHARGED AT NORMAL RATES RELATED TO AMOUNT OF WORK PERFORMED. ABOVE STANDARD FEE IS ALSO CHARGED TO INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS OFFICIALLY REGISTERED IN MEMBER COUNTRY, WHEN THEY WANT IIB TO PERFORM "NOVELTY SEARCH".

4. IN GENERAL, ALL FEES ARE BASED ON PHILOSOPHY THAT IIB IS A NON-PROFIT SELF-SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION AND ALL DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS FOR SEARCH HAVE TO BE CHARGED TO CLIENT.

5. RE PARA 3 4 REFTTEL. IIB IS WILLING TO PERFORM ANY SEARCH, EVEN WHEN PRODUCT OR PROCESS IS OBVIOUSLY UNPATENTABLE. THEY ALSO WILL LOOK INTO ALL DIFFERENT SPECIES AS MAY BE ASKED AND PAID FOR BY THEIR CLIENTS. THEIR FINAL REPORT CONSISTS IN ALL CASES OF CITING OF DIFFERENT DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING PATENTS, STUDIES, ETC., FOR THEIR TECHNICAL CONTENT. NO ADVICE IS GIVEN AND NO CONCLUSIONS ARE DRAWN BY THE IIB.
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